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SUBJECT: 59TH ECOSOC: GENERAL DEBATE--ICAO

1. IN A FACTUAL REPORT, ICAO COUNCIL PRESIDENT WALTER BINAGHI STATED THAT 1974 WAS NOT A GOOD YEAR FOR AIR TRANSPORT BECAUSE OF A FALLING OVERALL GROWTH RATE DUE PRINCIPALLY TO INFLATIONARY FACTORS. REGIONAL GROWTH RATES VARIED MARKEDLY WITH ASIA AND PACIFIC LEADING WITH 17 PERCENT, FOLLOWED BY AFRICA (15 PERCENT), EUROPE (8 .034:3,5) AND NORTH AMERICA (MINUS 2 PERCENT).

2. ICAO, HE NOTED HAD BEGUN TO DRAW UP A LIST OF MAJOR ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AFFECTING AIR TRANSPORT AS A FIRST STEP IN DRAWING UP A PLAN IN CONSULTATION WITH CONTRACTING STATES AND OTHER INTERESTED BODIES FOR POSSIBLE REMEDIAL ACTION.

3. HE MENTIONED ICAO'S WORK IN FIELDS OF AIRPLACE NOISE, ENGINE EMISSIONS, COMMERCIAL SST'S.

4. NOTING THAT CIVIL AVAIAATION SAFETY RECORD HAD CONTINUED TO IMPROVE TO THE POINT THAT ANY ONE ACCIDENT COULD CAUSE CONSIDERABLE STATISTICAL FLUCUTATIONS, HE POINTED

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OUT THAT A SINGLE 1974 ACCIDENT CLAIMING 333 LIVES

UPPED PASSENGER FATALITIES FROM 0.15 IN '73 TO
0.21 IN '74.

5. HE ATRIBUTED SIGNIFICANT DECREASE IN HIJACKING
TO PREVENTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN BY STATES AND AIRLINE
OPERATORS AND NOTED IMPORTANT INCREASE IN NUMBER
OF RATIFICATIONS OF RELATED ICAO CONVENTIONS (TOKYO
CONVENTION, 76; HAGUE CONVENTION, 69; MONTREAL CON-
VENTION, 59).

6. IN NOTING CONTINUED PROGRESS IN ICAO TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE FIELD, HE DREW PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO
NEW PROJECT AIMED AT FUNDING OUT HOW AIR TRANSPORT
CAN CONTRIBUTE TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICAN
COUNTRIES, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THIS PROJECT WILL
PROVIDE SIMILAR PROJECTS IN OTHER REGIONS.

7. FULL TEXT POUCHED ADDRESSEES. DALE

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